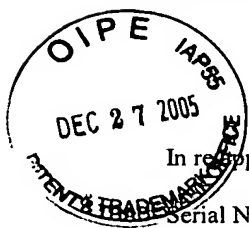


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In re Application of: Richard A. TATINA

CONFIRMATION NO.: 4369

Serial No.: 10/664,482

GROUP ART UNIT: 3612

Filed: September 17, 2003

EXAMINER: S. T. Gordon

For: "CONTAINER BRIDGING STABILIZER"

AMENDMENT A

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
P. O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA. 22313-1450

SIR:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

☒ No additional fee is required.

The fee has been calculated as shown below.

| CLAIMS AS AMENDED   |  |       |  |  |   |                          |
|---|--|-------|--|--|---|--------------------------|
|   | (2)<br>CLAIMS<br>REMAINING<br>AFTER<br>AMENDMENT |       | (4)<br>HIGHEST NO.<br>PREVIOUSLY<br>PAID FOR | (5)<br>PRESENT<br>EXTRA                    | (6)<br>RATE                                 | (7)<br>ADDITIONAL<br>FEE |
| TOTAL<br>CLAIMS   | *11  | MINUS | **28   |  | ( ) X 25.00<br>(X) X 50.00                  | \$00                     |
| INDEP.<br>CLAIMS  | 4  | MINUS | 5  |  | ( ) X 100.00<br>(X) X 200.00                | \$00                     |
| Application amended to contain<br>any multiple dependent claims<br>not previously paid for. |  |       |  | ( ) YES<br>( ) NO                          | ( ) \$180.00<br>( ) \$360.00<br>ONE<br>TIME |                          |
|   |  |       |  | TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE<br>FOR THIS AMENDMENT |   | \$00                     |

\* If the entry in Column 2 is less than the entry in Column 4, write "0" in Column 5.

\*\* If the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 20 write "20" in this space.

- ☐ Applicants petition the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend this time for response to the Office Action dated for \_\_\_\_\_ months so that the period for response is extended to \_\_\_\_\_. A check in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ is attached to cover the cost of the extension. Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to deposit account No. 501519. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
  - ☐ A check in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ is attached.
  - ☐ A check for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ accompanying IDS under 37 CFR 1.97(c) is attached
  - ☐ A check for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ and Petition for Consideration of IDS under 37 CFR 1.97(d) is attached.
  - ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or to credit any overpayment to account No. 501519. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.
- When phoning re this application, please call (312) 258-5500.

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I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P. O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA. 22313-1450 on December 22, 2005.

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DATE



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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**MAIL STOP AMENDMENT**

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S I R:

In response to the Office Action dated November 17, 2005, the following is submitted.